

Title: Bleyer Family Papers

Call Number: Mss-2746

Inclusive Dates: 1880 – 1987

Bulk: .3 cu. ft.

Location: HH, Sh.014

Historical Note: Henry Bleyer was reputedly the first German settler within the limits of the City of Milwaukee. He arrived in 1837 and earned his living as a cabinet maker. His sons became intimately identified with Milwaukee's newspaper trade. Henry W. Bleyer served as reporter and city editor for the *Milwaukee Sentinel* from 1868 to 1913. Herman Bleyer worked for many years with the *Evening Wisconsin* and also served as secretary for the Harbor Commission for over a dozen years. Herman's twin brother Julius also pursued a career with the *Evening Wisconsin*. Julius' son Lloyd G. Bleyer obtained a degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Wisconsin in 1912 and began working for the Rex Chain Belt Company. He continued his affiliation with the firm until he retired in 1960. Lloyd passed away in June 1969, the last male member of the Bleyer family.

Abstract: The records consist of obituaries/memorials, school-related material, programs, company histories, clippings and other material that provide information relating to the families' ties to the press, to Herman's marine interests, and Lloyd's Masonic activities.

Administrative Note: The collection was processed on February 20, 2003 by Kevin Abing.

See Also: Photos: M-187 and OS#2233-2234

Arrangement:

Bleyer, Henry W.	Box #	Folder #
Photocopies of a bill from the Newhall House, 1880	1	1
Memorial from Old Settlers Club, 1922		
Newspaper clipping re: Henry Bleyer and William Strothman, 1899		
Bleyer, Herman	Box #	Folder #
Obituaries/memorial (3), 1924	1	2
"Harbor Development at Milwaukee," <i>Ports and Waterways</i> , Oct.-Nov. 1924		
Clipping re: Steamship <i>Milwaukee</i> , n.d.		
Bleyer, Julius	Box #	Folder #
Menu, Testimonial Dinner for Julius and Herman Bleyer, 1901	1	3

Reunion Program, Milwaukee University and 7 th Ward High School, 1919 Program, Milwaukee School Board Dedication Exercises, 1896 Letter/Biographical Sketch of Benjamin Hyde Edgerton, 1920		
Bleyer, Lloyd	Box #	Folder #
Diploma, 1st District School, 1901 Commencement Program, East Division High School, 1905 Commencement Program, University of Wisconsin, 1912 Roster, Wisconsin Lodge No. 13, Free & Accepted Masons, 1926 50th Anniversary Booklet, Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, Free and Accepted Masons, 1894 100th Anniversary Booklet, Wisconsin Lodge No. 13, F & AM, 1947 Program, Past Masters' Night, Wisconsin Lodge No. 13, F & AM, 1943 50th Anniversary Booklet, Rex Chain Belt Company, 1941 Program, Chain Belt Company Open House, 1948	1	4
Miscellaneous Material	Box #	Folder #
<i>Milwaukee: A Picturesque and Descriptive Account of the Present Mercantile and Industrial Interests and Advantages of the Metropolis of Wisconsin</i> , 1903 <i>Milwaukee: A Salute to Yesterday and Today</i> by Phil Drotning, 1946 150 th Anniversary History of <i>Milwaukee Sentinel</i> , 1987	1	5